of which 2881 have been finally disposed of. In 736 cases rejection/deficiency has been conveyed to the applicants.

(c) and (d) 570 applications are pending disposal. Delay is due to lack of certain documentation and clarifications sought by the DDA.

Clarificatory instructions have been issued and all out efforts are being made by lease administering authorities to dispose off applications for conversion within prescribed period of three months.

Programme for improving civic amenities in Andhra Pradesh

6157. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of towns in Andhra Pradesh which have been selected under "Intermediate Town Development Programme" for improving civic amenities;

(b) what are the details of such towns selected for various programmes in 1994-95;

(c) what assistance has been sought by Andhra Pradesh Government for the purpose;

(d) whether World Bank assistance is also involved in such Programmes; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K THUNGON): (a) to (e) Provision of civic amenities is the responsibility of the local bodies concerned. These local bodies formulate their schemes in consultation with the State Governments concerned. State Governments on their part render assistance to the local bodies under various schemes and also through borrowing from financial institutions like HUDCO, LIC etc. Government of India plays only a nodal and catalytic role. There is no such programme called "Intermediate Town Development Programme". However, since 1979-80, a Centrally sponsored scheme of integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) has been in operation in the State/UTs including Andhra Pradesh. The main objective of IDSMT Scheme is to provide infrastructure facilities to support growth and employment generation activities in towns having population upto 3 lakhs and to arrest migration of rural population to large cities. Based on various project proposals received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh, 54 towns of Andhra Pradesh have been covered under IDSMT Scheme and Central Assistance of Rs. 16.40 Crores released during the period 1979-80 to 1993-94 Against the tentative allocation of 17 towns made to the State of Andhra Pradesh for inclusion under IDSMT Scheme during the 8th Plan period 18 towns have already been covered under IDSMT upto 31-3-94. No project proposals under IDSMT Scheme have so far been approved during the year 1994-95. World Bank assistance a not involved in the IDSMT Scheme.

Implementation of NCR Plan

6158. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Capital region Plan has not been implemented so far by the participating States; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. K THUNGON): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Since its inception in 1985 upto Feb. 1994, the N.C.R. Planning Board